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We are informed that Professor Sava will be leaving the colony on the 5th or 6th instant. Those who are anxious of hearing the phone graph had better pay a visit to the Victoria Hotel before 11 a.m. on the day of publication after that hour the supply is limited.

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DEATH.
At his residence, 15, Somesuei-Terrace, of pneumonia, at 6.20 a.m. on September, JOHN DA SILVA LOPES, late Consul-General and Charge d'Affaires at Postgate at Tokio.

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A. Kono will the other day issued a list of "light and reasonable summer literature," stated mendaciously to be on sale at all book stores and Railway stations. One of the supposed volumes was entitled "Silver and Mercury, with Graduated Scale showing one White Metal falls the other rises, but not vice versa." With the thermometer at nearly 90 and exchange at less than 2s. 5d. it is refreshing to find any one who can raise a smile on the situation. A joke is decidedly more acceptable than Reuter's puzzling conundrums, which are conducive to headache if their solution be attempted. It is almost a matter of duty, however, for every one to keep himself posted on the currency question just at present, and it may assist to some reasonable interpretation of to-day's telegram if we give a resume of the preceding messages on the same subject. The telegrams received about the time that Congress reassembled and just afterwards appeared rather favourable to the white metal, and suggested that the silver party were stronger than had been supposed. Lately, however, the tendency has been all the other way. A telegram dated the 15th inst. stated that the opinion was gaining ground in Washington that an unconditional repeal of the Sherman Act was impossible, and that a compromise was necessary, providing for free coinage at a ratio somewhere about 20 to 1. The next telegram, dated the 18th, stated that unequal debates were proceeding in both the Senate and the House of Representatives. Then came a telegram dated the 19th stating that the Finance Committee of the Senate had agreed to report in favour of a Bill repealing the Sherman Act, with the provision that the parity of the gold and silver dollar should be maintained, either by legislation or by an Inter-State agreement. This is the Shanghai reading of the telegram, the Hongkong reading being more obscure, but even the Shanghai reading is not very clear. We take the reference to the parity to mean that the value of the silver dollar already struck should be maintained, not that free coinage of silver dollars should be permitted. The next telegram was dated the 23rd and stated that a speech by Mr. Voorhees urging the repeal of what he referred to as the vicious Sherman Act had produced a deep impression in the Senate, he being a pronounced bimetallicist. On the 24th came a telegram in direct contradiction to that of the 18th and stating that the belief was gaining ground in Washington that the only report of the Sherman Act was correct.

The next telegram was dated the 25th and stated that the House of Representatives had passed the repeal of the Sherman Act and the prospects were increasing that the Senate would ultimately adopt a similar measure. On the 30th we were informed that the House of Representatives had rejected the amendments proposing free coinage. So far as the House is concerned, therefore, it would seem that it has committed itself to the gold standard—pure and simple and the cessation of the monthly purchases of silver. Now comes a telegram informing us that the Senate has commenced the debate on Senator Voorhees' Bill repealing the Sherman Act, and that "similar action has been taken in the House of Representatives." Seeing that the latter body was already reported to have passed the repeal the object of wiring out the information that it had taken "similar action" is not very apparent, but perhaps the telegram should read that Senator Voorhees' Bill provides for action similar to that provided for by the Bill passed by the House. We are also informed that Mr. Sherman supports the repeal of his own Act, a fact with which we were already sufficiently familiar, and we are favoured with what purports to be an expression of opinion by Mr. White, but as it is quite incomprehensible except that it shows that gentleman to be in favour of the maintenance of the Sherman Act, no purpose would be served by attempting to discuss it. The silver party is, we believe, somewhat stronger in the Senate than in the House of Representatives, but it may now be taken for granted that it will not be strong enough either to prevent the repeal of the Sherman Act or to carry free coinage of silver. 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CHAPTER XXIV.

An Interval.

Mr. Hiram Borringher was perplexed. It was not often that this weather-worn mariner found himself at fault, but just now he confessed to himself that he was puzzled. He thought that he had seen a certain thing done, he thought that he recognized a certain face, but he could not be absolutely sure of the one, and he could not be absolutely sure of the other.

When he returned to the shop he was still meditative. He sat by Mrs. Borringher's fire-place, smoking—a privilege always accorded to Hiram—and as he smoked he thought and thought deeply. Presently, after what he had called a long trifle of time, he turned his thoughts to his own affairs. Mrs. Borringher and the secret of his thoughts into words.

"Susan," he asked, "who was the man who left your shop this afternoon just before I came to it?"

Mrs. Borringher paused in her occupation of stitching specimens of plants in an elaborate Herbarium, and looked up. But the moment she had not reflected that anyone in particular had come in, Hiram forgot her memory.

"A tall dark man with dead-looking eyes," he suggested. The words brought up the man to Mrs. Borringher's mind. "Why that was Mr. Bostock," she said.

"Mr. Bostock?" Hiram repeated after her thoughtfully. "The name sounds unfamiliar to me, but I know it well. 'M. E. Stock'! And who may Mr. Bostock be?"

Lydia saw her opportunity and stepped into the conversation.

"My, Bostock, uncle, is the fencing master at Lady Scarsdale's! He's taught me fencing," she said, looking at Hiram, looking at him twice more admiringly. "I should like to see him if I may."

"Why, so you can, uncle, any day you please. If you only let me know I'll tell Lady Scarsdale. There is a fencing lesson every day."

"And, of course, you'll go and see Lady Scarsdale anyhow," said Mrs. Borringher. "So?"

She knew that Hiram was not a man who was readily induced to pay visits even to his friends.

"Quite so," said Hiram, "quite so." Then his mind went back to the original problem. He blew a great cloud of smoke out in front of him, watched it vanish in feathered plumes up the wall, and then, looking at Lydia at this time, he said, "What sort of man am I?"

"You will not mind that I want to conceal."

Hiram whistled. "You are a cool hand," he said. "But I thought perhaps you was fading in that drawer for the knife you used so well that night."

Bostock shrugged his shoulders. "What night?" he asked. "I don't know what you mean by talking about."

"What do you think of Mr. Bostock, Lydia, my dear?"

Lydia hesitated. "I think he is a very good fencer," she said, after a pause.

"Yes, yes," persisted Hiram, "but apart from his fencing, which is his business in life—and that he does that well, I mean, he is a good man. And, I think, of a man is he?"

"Really, really," said Lydia. "I hardly know. I think I am inclined to agree with mother."

"He's not sweet on you, I hope?"

Hiram asked.

Lydias laughed. "No, indeed. I think Mr. Bostock gives her what is pleased to call his heart elsewhere."

"What else?" asked Lydia. "of course, I don't know, but I think from the way in which he sometimes looks at Fidelia—"

"Who is Fidelia?" interrupted Hiram.

"Fidelia is Fidelia Looke, a great friend of Lady Scarsdale's and one of our principals," Lydia answered.

Hiram made a face for a while.

"Do you like Mr. Bostock?" he asked, at last, "do you like at the College?"

Lydia shook her head. "Oh, no, uncle, of course not. He lives in Bellingbroke Gardens, Battersea."

"132, Bellingbroke Gardens," said Lydia, "a ring, who looks very even in small details. I am sure, even in the pocket where it lay, and drew out a small white package with some writing on it."

"Is that the sleeping draught?"

He held the packet out across the table. Bostock leaned quietly forward and looked at it.

"I do not see how that could possibly be anything important," he said, "but I, however, do not like to give you any trouble."

"So it is?" said Lydia. "I hardly know. But I think that he was sleepy, that he was curious to feel himself ahd on dry land, and was intended to reach its address."

Bostock shrugged his shoulders. "I presume so. What has this to do with me?" He was leaning back against the sofa, but now both his hands hung freely at his sides.

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AN EPISODE IN AN OLD MAID'S LIFE.

BY BLANCHE ATKINSON.

"My Dear Cecilia: Your letter followed me here. "Here" means the most delightful of homes, the loveliest dale in Lakeland. It is large enough to supply fresh butter and real new-laid eggs, and meat stores 200 years old, new selling, and meat stores, but civilized enough to satisfy luxuries. I have had ready 1-lter, my dear goddaughter, and I hardly know whether to laugh or cry over it. "Crying is not easy; a summer shower's to come, never. Will I cry it as if it were the tears of the great, poor broken up? Yet I can't laugh at you, either."

"Once upon a time—It does not seem very long ago—I was young, and fell in love, and broke my heart, too, like you—and it was no laughing matter. Still, here I am, you see, a wedded old maid, knitting stockings for a big family of nephews and nieces, and finding that I have a comfortable, interesting place of residence. My dear, be a sensible girl. Don't let your life be spoilt, because you happen to be in love with a man to whom you tell me, you have hardly spoken, and who has no interest of any kind in you. It is a man and no interest in him, and destined never to be interested. You may make up your mind that the enjoyment of life is not to be yours. But when that is over, it is still a good stout, useful kind of happiness which may be yours, and which wears well. It is no kindness to tell you I hope that things will come right. Things don't always come as we wish, and that is not to be expected by 'right.' Never mind about hoping, at present. You need not be beaten. Make the most of your opportunities. Probably some day you will look back from the vantage-ground of wisdom and motherhood upon this passionate trouble with a smile. That is not my fate; but over I can use my past service, and I have no present burden."

"The man I gave my heart to is a sensible other woman, and I have never ceased to love him, in absolute hopelessness of any return.

But, as you know, I am not an unhappy woman.

Though I have not the compositions of great minds, great opportunities or talents, I have many friends and affections; and when I slip away to a place where those blessed peace lays me round, and amass myself, writing a novel, I am as blissful as a queen.

"Will you be again some day, or my hard-hearted hero remains insensible. There is an idea that changes of scene is beneficial in such cases as yours. If you think so, you may come here."

The writer paused and turned her sweet, grave eyes to the storm and rain-lashed window.

"I don't a bit want her. It will be a great worry to have to listen to a love-sick girl's ravings.

But as she has told me, I suppose it would be a relief to her mind, and I must make the best of it if she should come."

With a sigh Patience Wright finished her letter, and turned to the friends in the room and held out her hand. "He was still handsome, with crisp grey hair and moustache, and wondrous dark and eloquent eyes—eyes even capable of expressing the most wonderful things when the face was bright. They took handkerchief and smoking materials with them; rested frequently, whenever Anthony came upon any view or striking pictorial spot of which he wished to secure the outlines; and wandered, without any fixed plan, where fancy and the easiest of all ways led. They had now returned to the farm-house, where he had found the facilities of home as he longed in the season of his enforced idleness. He had been exceeding kind of the girl.

She returned to the parlour feeling slightly unwell, and found her crumpled in a chair, sobbing violently.

"For pity's sake be reasonable and tell me what is the master," Patience said.

"Oh! you know! You must know!" Cecilia sobbed. "I and I don't mind if all the world knows it. I am not a bit ashamed of loving him. What shall I do? After all these days of happiness, when I thought he really cared for me, he can go away, like this, without a word! When I go off he will not know me from the others, and I have no money to go to him. I know it was my fate to love him. From the first moment I saw him; and when I found that he was here I thought it was providential, and that we were to be brought together. I have so prayed that he would love me; and now he has gone! Oh! can you help me?—can't you do something? He thinks so much of your opinion."

"Perhaps so. And isn't that the true ideal?"

"I do not think so. A woman must be something more than the servant or plaything, even companion of a man. She must be an individual, and have a real life of her own, independent of him."

"You are wrong," he said, smiling. "You have been the companion of her brother, the idol of her girlhood, the ideal man of her dreams."

"Your name was in the visitors' book, and I know there could not be another Patience Wright," he said, "beside your handwriting is hardly changed, and, indeed, you are hardly—very much changed. It is good to find anything left in the world which belonged to our young days."

They sat down and looked at one another with curious longing eyes, trying to bring back to the faces worn from within and without by many years of life the roundness and smoothness of youth. Patience shook her head.

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MUNICH BEER
LOWENBRAU.
\$13 per case of 4 dozen quarts.
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EDUARD SCHELLHASS & CO.
Sales Agents.
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FOR SALE.

EUGENE CLICQUOT CHAMPAGNE
per case 1 doz. 60s.
per case 2 pds. 32s.
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Sales Agents.
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FOR SALE.

CHAMPAGNE "MONOPOLY"
HEIDSEICK & CO.
MONOPOLY RED SEAL (medium dry).
"Red Seal" GOLD FOIL (dry).
Dry Do. (extra dry).
CARLOWITZ & CO.,
Sales Agents for
HEIDSEICK & CO., BEERS,
Hongkong, China, and Japan.
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FOR SALE.

CH. H. E. D. S. I. E. C. K.'S
CHAMPAGNE, 1859, WHITE SEAL.
\$30 per case of 4 dozen quarts.
\$31 per case of 8 dozen pints.
PAUL DOUROIS & CO.
CLARET, CHATEAU LAFITE,
\$17.50 per case of 1 dozen quarts.
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LORMONT.
\$6.50 per case of 1 dozen quarts.
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TACOMA BEER.
THE FINE BEER OF THE
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